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1. MISSION HAS RECEIVED A COMPREHENSIVE REPORT FROM UNHCR
CONCERNING THIRD COUNTRY ASSISTANCE TO INDOCHINA REFUGEES
THROUGH DECEMBER 31, 1977. HIGHLIGHTS ARE LISTED BELOW.

2. GOVERNMENT CONTRIBUTIONS (IN U.S. DOLLARS)

COUNTRY	1975-76 PROGRAM	1977 PROGRAM
AUSTRALIA	----- 1,329,116 -----	1,107,420
AUSTRIA	----- 27,096 -----	--0--
BELGIUM	----- 128,206 -----	194,444
CANADA	----- 246,154 -----	443,925
CYPRUS	----- --0-- -----	481
DENMARK	----- 947,492 -----	413,533
GERMANY (FED. REP.)	1,559,102 -----	679,591
GREECE	----- 15,000 -----	--0--
IRELAND	----- --0-- -----	17,391
JAPAN	----- 1,320,295 -----	531,915
MAURITIUS	----- 10,000 -----	--0--
NETHERLANDS	----- 573,297 -----	408,163

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NEW ZEALAND	----- 154,639 -----	--0--
NORWAY	----- 134,892 -----	188,911
PHILIPPINES	----- 5,000 -----	10,000
SWITZERLAND	----- 235,428 -----	117,647
UNITED KINGDOM	--- 304,260 -----	1,336,441
USA	----- 11,920,000 -----	9,935,000

TOTALS \$18,909,997 ----- \$15,384,862

3. RESETTLEMENTS: A TOTAL OF 89,663 PERSONS WERE RESETTLED THROUGH DECEMBER 31, 1977, WITH 32 COUNTRIES PARTICIPATING IN THE RESETTLEMENT EFFORT. UNHCR RECORDS SHOW THAT THE U.S. ADMITTED 31,491 (AFTER THE INITIAL EVACUATION OF SOME 130,000), FRANCE 38,955, AUSTRALIA 5,501, ALL ASIAN COUNTRIES COMBINED 1,004, AUSTRIA 223, BELGIUM 1,023, CANADA 6,991, DENMARK 352, GERMANY 993, ISRAEL 66, ITALY 214, NETHERLAND 168, NEW ZEALAND 663, NORWAY 225, SWITZERLAND 122, UNITED KINGDOM 518, OTHERS 154.

4. PROSPECTS FOR FUTURE RESETTLEMENT AS CURRENTLY KNOWN ARE AS FOLLOWS: -
AUSTRALIA, 2,000 ANNUALLY; CANADA 50 BOAT FAMILIES MONTHLY; FRANCE CONTINUES TO ADMIT 1,000 MONTHLY; NEW ZEALAND 50 HOUSEHOLDS FOR FAMILY REUNION; SWITZERLAND 115 (PLUS) BOAT PEOPLE AND ADDITIONAL HANDICAPPED CASES; NORWAY BOAT PEOPLE PICKED UP BY NORWEGIAN SHIPS. BASED ON PAST PRACTICE, UNHCR ESTIMATES THAT OTHER COUNTRIES WILL ACCEPT 1,500 IN 1978. TOTAL ESTIMATE IS FOR ACCEPTANCE OF 20,000 BY COUNTRIES OTHER THAN THE U.S.

5. THE ABOVE INFORMATION IS TREATED IN MUCH GREATER DETAIL IN REPORT WHICH IS BEING POUCHED TO D/HA TODAY.
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